STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2003-437

August 3, 2004

BAK COMMUNICATIONS, LLC
Petition for Finding of Public
Convenience and Necessity to Provide
Competitive Local Exchange
Telecommunications Services

ORDER DISMISSING APPLICATION

WELCH, Chairman; DIAMOND and REISHUS, Commissioners

## I. SUMMARY

In this Order we dismiss without prejudice the Application filed by BAK Communications (BAK) for authority to provide local exchange service in the State of Maine.

## II. DISCUSSION

On June 12, 2003, BAK filed an application pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 2102 to provide local exchange service in Maine. The Commission Staff has communicated with BAK on a number of occasions via telephone and e-mail about deficiencies in the petition and schedule of rates and terms and conditions that accompany the application, including the lack of a petition and the billing and disconnections policies contained in the terms and conditions. BAK has not remedied those deficiencies as of this date. We find that this application has been pending for too lengthy a period and we therefore dismiss it without prejudice. We note that since the application was filed we have made a number of important changes to our application package (that is available at our website and from the Administrative Director). Any new application that BAK may file should take these changes into account.

Accordingly, we

## ORDER

That the application for authority to provide telephone service in Maine filed by BAK on June 12, 2003 is hereby found to be insufficient and is dismissed without prejudice.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2004.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Raymond J. Robichaud
Acting Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch

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- 3. <u>Additional court review</u> of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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